Field to Fork – Louisville Area

Get your own Venison - delicious, local, natural & healthful meat!



Course Schedule:

Classroom Session Friday, Oct. 2 6:30-9:30pm

- Introduction Why this course?
- Deer in Kentucky: History, Biology & Ecology
- **Hunting Licenses & Regulations**
- BREAK: Sampling of deer jerky & venison appetizers
- Habitat Use & Hunting Strategies
- Finding a place to hunt: Private and Public Lands Opportunities

Campfire at Otter Creek & retire to cabins

Field Workshop Saturday, Oct. 3 9am-3pm

- Blood Trailing & Recovery of Deer
- Field Dressing and Field Quartering: Two Techniques for Field Care of Venison
- Butchering Demo & Meat Preservation Dr. Gregg Rentfrow, UK Extension Meat Specialist
- LUNCH (Provided) Venison & other dishes prepared by Chef Morris
- Cooking Venison Chef Eric Morris, "Game" restaurant
- **Shooting & Shot Placement**
 - Firearms Basic Guns & Ammunition for Deer Hunting
 - Crossbows
- Hunter Education Range Portion ("Classroom" Portion must be completed online in advance)

Mentored Hunts Saturday evening (time permitting), Sunday morning & Sunday evening - For participants who do not have a family member or friend who is an experienced deer hunter, KDFWR will provide opportunities for participants to hunt at least one morning and/or evening with a mentor who is experienced in deer hunting. These mentors will be Kentucky Fish & Wildlife staff and volunteers from conservation/sportsmen's organizations in central Kentucky, paired with participants.

Follow-up Culinary Social - TBA

Participants will gather later in the season to share: hunting stories, additional cooking instruction, and more great venison and other local foods!